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A PROCLAMATION

For Continuing the Collection of the Customs and Subsidies of Tonnage and Poundage.

JAMES R.

WE have upon Mature Consideration, thought fit to Call a Parliament, speedily to be Assembled in which We make no doubt, but Care will be taken for settling a sufficient Revenue on the Crown for the Support of the Government; The Necessities of which in Maintenance of the Navy for Defence of Our Kingdom, and the Advantages of Trade Requiring, That the Customs and Subsidies of Tonnage and Poundage, and other Sums of Money, payable upon Merchandizes Exported and Imported, Be Continued to be Collected as in the time of Our Dearest Brother lately Deceased We do therefore by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council Require, And Our Will and Pleasure is, That the said Duties be Collected accordingly, by all and singular the Officers and Collectors within all and every Our Ports in any of Our Dominions, not doubting of a ready Compliance herein from all Our Loving Subjects.

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall*, the Ninth day of *February*, in the First Year of Our Reign.

JAMES R.

FOrasmuch as it hath pleased Almighty God lately to call unto his infinite Mercy the most High and Mighty Prince, Charles the Second of most Blessed Memory, the Kings Majesties most Dear and most Entirely Beloved Brother, by whose Decease the Authority and Power of the most Part of the Offices and Places of Jurisdiction and Government within His Majesties Dominions did cease and fail, the Soveraign Person failing, from whom the same were derived, The Kings most Excellent Majesty in His Princely Wisdom and Care of the State (reserving to His Own Judgment hereafter, the Reformation and Redress of any Abuses in Misgovernment, upon due Knowledge and Examination thereof) is Pleased, and hath so expressly Signified, That all Persons that at the time of the Decease of the late King His dearly beloved Brother, were Duly and Lawfully Possessed of, or Invested in any Office, or Place of Authority or Government, either Civil or Military, within His Majesties Realm of England and Ireland, Islands of Jerzey and Guernsey, Sark or Alderney, or within His Majesties Colonies and Plantations in America; And namely, all Governors, Lieutenants or Deputy-Governors, Councillors, Judges, Justices, Provost-Marshals, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, and all others in place of Government, either Meaner or Superior, as aforesaid; And all other Officers and Ministers, whose Interests and Estates in their Offices are determined, shall be, and shall hold themselves continued in the said Places and Offices, under the same Condition as formerly they held and enjoyed the same, until His Majesties Pleasure be further known, or that other Provison be made pursuant to His late Majesties Commission and Instructions to His Governors and Officers of the Islands, Colonies and Plantations aforesaid. And that in the mean while, for the Preservation of the Peace, and necessary Proceedings in matters of Justice, and for the Safety and Service of the State; All the said Persons of whatsoever Degree or Condition may not fail, every one severally, according to his Place, Office or Charge, to proceed in the Performance of all Duties thereunto belonging, as formerly appertained unto them, while the late King was living. And further, His Majesty doth hereby Will and Command all and singular His Highnesses Subjects, of what Estate, Dignity, and Degree, they or any of them be, to be Aiding, Helping and Assisting, and at the Commandment of the said Officers and Ministers, in the Performance and Execution of the said Offices and Places, as they and every of them Tender his Majesties Displeasure, and will answer the Contrary at their uttermost Perils. And further, His Majesties will and Pleasure and Express Commandment is, That all Orders and Directions Made or Given by the Late King, of most Blessed Memory, the Lords of his Privy-Council, or his Principal Secretaries of State, or other Legal Authority, derived from his said Majesty in his Life-time, shall be Obeyed and Performed by all and every Person and Persons, and all and every Thing and Things to be done thereupon, shall Proceed as Fully and Amply as the same should have been Obeyed or Done, in the Life of the said Late King, his Majesty's most Dearly and most Entirely Beloved Brother, until His Majesties Pleasure be further known thereupon.

Given at the Court at *Whitehall*, the Sixth Day of *February*, In the First Year of His Majesty's Reign of *England*, *Scotland*, *France* and *Ireland*, and other His Majesties Territories and Dominions.

God Save the King.

By *Henry* Duke of *Norfolk*, Earl-Marshall of *England*.

WHereas His Majesty hath been pleased to Command me to take Care that this present Mourning may be Performed with that Decency that becomes so Great an Occasion: This is therefore to Inform all Persons Concerned, That 'tis expected they put themselves into the Deepest Mourning that is possible; (Long Cloaks only excepted) And that as well all Lords, as Privy-Councillors, and Officers of His late Majesty's, and now Majesty's Houshold, do Cover their Coaches, and Chairs, and Clothe their Livery Servants with Black Cloth; And that none presume to use any Varnish'd or Bullion Nails to be seen on their Coaches or Chairs; Except His Majesty, the Queen Consort, Queen Dowager, and their Royal Highnesses.

Given under my Hand this Ninth day of *February* 168⅘. In the First Year of His Majesty's Reign. King *James* the Second, over *England*, &c.

NORFOLK, Marshall.

Whitehall, *February* 11. The Following Addresses have been presented to His Majesty, who received them very Graciously.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

WE Your Majesties Loyal Subjects, and Officers within Your Garison of Portsmouth, do think it our Duty to Congratulate Your peaceable Succession to the Crown, and to assure Your Majesty, that as we never had a thought to obstruct it, as some would have done by a Bill of Exclusion, so will we always firmly adhere to Your Majesties Interest, and spend the last drop of our Blood in the defence of Your Majesties Person, and in the Maintenance of Your Royal Prerogatives, And shall daily pray for Your Majesties long and prosperous Reign over us.